

REMARKS

In the present Amendment, claims 10 and 11 have been canceled.

No new matter is added and entry of the Amendment is respectfully requested. Entry of the Amendment after final is appropriate because Applicants are merely canceling two dependent claims, and, as discussed below, the case is in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-3, 5-7, 9, 12 and 14-20 are pending.

In Paragraph Nos. 6-7 of the final Action, claims 10 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite.

Claims 10 and 11 are canceled. Accordingly, this rejection is moot.

In Paragraph Nos. 8-9, claims 1-7, 9-12, and 14-18 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 12 and 20 of copending application no. 10/807,163 in view of Lan.

Claims 12 and 20 of copending Appln. No. 10/807,163 were canceled in an Amendment filed July 26, 2007. Accordingly, this rejection is moot.

The Examiner is thus kindly requested to withdraw the rejection.

In Paragraph No. 10, claims 1-3 and 18-20 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 12 and 20 of the '163 application in view of Kaminsky.

This rejection is moot in view of the cancellation of claims 12 and 20 of the copending '163 application in the Amendment filed July 26, 2007. The Examiner is thus kindly requested to withdraw the present rejection.

In paragraph 11 of the Action, claims 5-7 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but are indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In view

of the above responses, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 5-7 are allowable in their present form.

Allowance is respectfully requested.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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